

**PATENT** 

Docket No.: 50099-239

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Masanobu SATO, et al.

Confirmation Number: 6467

Application No.: 10/699,671

Group Art Unit: 1746 Allowed: January 14, 2005

Filed: November 04, 2003

Examiner: STINSON, Frankie L.

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For: SUBSTRATE CLEANING APPARATUS

## REQUEST FOR ACCEPTANCE OF FORMAL DRAWINGS & REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRIORITY

Mail Stop: ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1430

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and Allowability dated January 14, 2005.

It is noted that the Examiner has not yet acknowledged or accepted the Formal drawings filed in the above application on November 4, 2003 (copies attached). It is also noted the Examiner has not acknowledged the priority claims and certified priority document as filed November 14, 2001 in the parent application 09/987,270 (copy of Application Transmittal attached)

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner provide a Supplemental Notice of Allowability acknowledging priority claims and indicating the formal drawings have been accepted

Respectfully submitted,

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Prior Application:

Art Unit:

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BOX FEE Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application

Serial No. <u>09/987,270</u>, filed on <u>November 14, 2001</u>, entitled <u>SUBSTRATE CLEANING APPARATUS</u>, by the

following named inventors: Masanobu SATO, Sadao HIRAE, Shuichi YASUDA, Kenya MORINISHI.

- 1. I hereby state that the enclosed application contains no new matter.
- 2. Oath or Declaration
  - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
    - i. Deletion of inventor(s)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

3. Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 2b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 2b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

- 4. Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 5. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
- 6. Cancel claims 11 and 12.

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7. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 6 above:

	NO. OF		EXTRA		
	CLAIMS		CLAIMS	RATE	AMOUNT
Total Claims	14	-20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	-3	0	\$86.00 =	\$0.00
			Basic	Application Fee	\$770.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$0.00				\$0.00	
Total Application Fee				\$770.00	
Subtract ½ if small entity				\$0.00	
		тот	AL APPLICAT	TION FEE DUE	\$770.00
AMOUN	NT TO BE CHARGI	ED TO DEP	OSIT ACCOU	NT NO. 500417	\$770.00

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7a. 🗌	Enclosed is a Verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
7Ь. 🗌	A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27 was filed in prior application and such status is still proper and desired.
8a. 🛛	PLEASE CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500417 in the amount of \$770.00
8b. 🛚	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application Serial No. <u>09/987,270</u> or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.
9. 🛛	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
	This application is a divisional of Application Serial No. <u>09/987,270</u> filed <u>November 14, 2001</u>
10. 🛛	Priority of Application Serial No. <u>2000-352076</u> filed on <u>November 20, 2000</u> , in <u>JAPAN</u> is claimed under 35 USC 119. The certified priority document was filed in Serial No. <u>09/987,270</u> on <u>November 14, 2001</u> .
11. 🛛	The prior application is assigned of record to
	DAINIPPON SCREEN MFG. CO., LTD.  Kyoto, JAPAN
12. 🛛	The power of attorney in the prior application is to:
	McDermott, Will & Emery
13. 🔲	Also enclosed:

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14. A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until.

Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record)

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